

## STATE-WIDE CONFERENCE ON SOCIAL HYGIENE

Problems of Commercialized Vice to Be Discussed This Week.

DR. GRAVATT WILL PRESIDE

Dr. Edwin A. Alderman and Many Other Distinguished Men Are on Program for Organization Meeting. Hold Sessions at Y. M. C. A.

Arrangements are going forward for the conference of the Virginia Social Hygiene Association, to be held in the auditorium of the Young Men's Christian Association Tuesday and Wednesday, April 13 and 14, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Dr. J. J. Gravatt, D. D., is chairman of the committee in charge. The conference here is to be held in accordance with a resolution adopted by the State Conference of Charities and Corrections, which met in Portsmouth February 15, following a discussion of the social evil. Rev. J. T. Mastin was in the chair.

### RESOLUTIONS CALLING

Following is the text of the resolutions:

"Whereas the revelations made during the last year have brought to the attention of the people of this country a prevalence of social immorality, commercialized vice and social diseases that is arousing concern throughout the entire nation; and

"Whereas a national organization, the American Social Hygiene Association, has been formed to study vice conditions, and carry on a propaganda against commercialized vice and to promote the cause of social purity; and

"Whereas in a number of States there have been formed and chartered State associations working on lines analogous to those of the national organization; and

"Whereas we, of the group called together during the session of the Virginia State Conference of Charities and Corrections, are deeply convinced that the time has come in Virginia for organized and coordinated effort in dealing with the social evil in this State; therefore,

Resolved, That we request the chairman of this meeting, Dr. J. T. Mastin, secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, to appoint a committee of five, who shall be charged with the duty of calling an organizing conference with a view to the formation of a Virginia Social Hygiene Association. They shall select and invite to the conference representatives from the various sections of the State, and shall make all necessary provision for said conference.

The chairman appointed the following committee: Dr. J. J. Gravatt, Richmond; Professor Francis Bacon, Norfolk; Dr. W. B. Foster, Roanoke; Dr. H. W. Garrett, Portsmouth; and Rev. J. W. Shackford, Richmond.

The committee has prepared the program of business procedure to be followed, and Dr. Gravatt has notified each of the 100 citizens appointed as delegates of the date and place for the conference. The Hall of the House of Delegates was first selected, but the committee subsequently decided that the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. is better suited for the purposes of the conference. The principal aim and object of the Virginia Social Hygiene Association is the study and prevention of vice.

Following is the order of business agreed upon for the conference:

Rev. J. J. Gravatt, D. D., presiding. General statement, Dr. Gravatt, chairman.

Preliminary survey of the field for the program committee.

"Public Conscience and the Social Evil."

"Legislation and Law Enforcement."

"Education and the Sex Problem."

Wednesday, 9:30 A. M.

Organization session, to effect the organization and agree upon the constitution and general platform and upon the program of immediate and definite endeavor.

1. Reading of tentative constitution and bylaws. Discussion of same, with amendments that may be offered.

2. Reading of program for immediate consideration. Appointment of committee to nominate officers for permanent organization as provided in constitution; also to nominate standing committees to carry out the lines of work provided for in the program. This committee to report immediately on re-assembling in the afternoon. Discussion of report, amendments, if any. Adoption.

Wednesday, 2:30 P. M.

1. Report of nominating committee and election of officers for the permanent organization.

2. Naming of special committees for the year or until the next conference.

3. Subdivision of conference into committees to consider the special phases of work provided for in the program.

The following are among those who have been asked to take part on the program: Dr. E. A. Alderman, of the University of Virginia; James Bronson Reynolds, of New York; Senator G. Walter Mann, Accomack; Dr. L. T. Rogers, Norfolk; J. W. Hough, Norfolk; Rev. John B. Winn, D. D., Roanoke.

### LETTER FROM ROOSEVELT IS WITHHELD BY WOMEN

CHICAGO, April 10.—Publication today of a statement that Theodore Roosevelt had written a letter denouncing the woman's peace propaganda caused a sharp discussion among leaders of the movement here today. The letter is in the possession of Mrs. William I. Thomas, secretary of the Woman's Peace party, and she refuses to allow its publication.

"Miss Jane Addams says she sees no reason for secrecy about the letter," Mrs. Thomas was told.

"She may have thought that when she spoke, but now she agrees with me that there were sentences in the letter that it would be unwise to make public," replied Mrs. Thomas. "Although Colonel Roosevelt has said he would be delighted to have the letter published, I think it unwise to make it public."

The letter was written to Mrs. George Rublee, of Washington. One report was that the Colonel said pacifists in general constituted a "menace to the future welfare of the United States."

A party to leave here Sunday for The Hague to attend the international peace conference, includes Miss Addams, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Sophronia H. Breckinridge, Miss Grace Abbott, Mrs. William B. Lloyd, Miss Florence Holbrook, Dr. Alice Hamilton, Mrs. Julius Loeb, Mrs. Robert Kohlhammer, Mrs. Herbert Willett, Miss Emily Napieraki and William H. Tutbill.

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Are You On?

Guess!

## ONLY \$748 IS MISSING OF STOLEN MONEY

Pinkerton Detectives Have Recovered \$5,252 of \$6,000 Robbery.

BELIEVE REST WILL BE FOUND

Negroes Under Arrest Have Engaged Counsel for Their Defense. Woman Under Close Surveillance, but Has Not Been Arrested.

Of the \$6,000 stolen from the Merchants' National Bank on January 7, only \$748 is now missing, and the Pinkerton detectives, who have worked efficiently on the case, expect to recover most of this before all their efforts are done.

Thomas J. Conway, one of the negroes arrested on a charge of aiding and abetting James C. Bradshaw, the bank porter charged with the theft, told Superintendent Erb yesterday that he had taken between \$700 and \$800 with him to work one day and had lost it. The detective doubt this, and believes that Conway will soon tell a different tale.

Bradshaw, Conway and James Farmer are being held in the Henric County Jail pending trial on April 15 before United States Commissioner Melvin E. Kennerly. They have engaged counsel. In the meantime, a woman, who is said to have received some of the money, is being held under close surveillance. She is too ill now to arrest, and the detectives do not wish to place her under any hardship.

### BRADSHAW HEARS NO MORE TWITTERING BIRDS

Bradshaw, the dreaming janitor, spent a comfortable night in jail, but failed to announce any more prophetic visions. There were no golden birds twittering in his slumber, no stones falling from Heaven to warn him of the doom to come. And the shafts of light which had come to him in other nights proved this time to be only cold, cruel-looking bars of iron, imprisoning him against the world.

The detectives have recovered now \$5,252, and believe that most of the rest will be found either through a Bradshawian dream or the prickings of Conway's conscience.

### A Word of Caution.

The young tree loses a part of its root system when it is removed from the nursery, and if the top is not reduced before the tree is placed in the ground, it means partial starvation. The small number of roots cannot take up enough nourishment to support the

## TRAVELERS' AID SOCIETY EXTENDS ITS EFFORTS

Dr. Orin C. Baker Placed in Charge at Panama-Pacific Exposition.

FACE MANY NEW PROBLEMS

Note of Warning Sounded to Those Going West in Search of Employment—Ten Applicants for Each Position Open Is Report.

Girls and young women are in great danger at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, according to statements made by Orin C. Baker, general secretary of the New York City Travelers' Aid, at a recent interview. They are subject to evil influences both within and without the exposition grounds, and on transcontinental trains.

In order to protect them, the Travelers' Aid Society has organized its work this year with great effectiveness, and put Dr. Baker at the head of this special branch. Under his direction the society is definitely organized, and systematic, preventive work is being aggressively carried on.

One of the problems the society is facing is that of the "jitney bus," operating freely everywhere. These gather their quota of travelers, and then, removing the pastboard sign, under which they solicit patronage, carry them to any part of the city. Another evil is the public dance hall. Any one paying \$25 can secure a "one-night license," under which they carry on any kind of entertainment, and cannot be prosecuted the next day. These places, too, have been thoroughly investigated, and, as the whole country seems "dancing mad," the Travelers' Aid Society finds itself, for the first time in its existence, directing young people to the dance halls. It is needless to say that of the "two evils they choose the lesser."

A note of warning is sounded to those who are going to the exposition with a view of obtaining employment to defray their expenses. There are dozens of applications for one position. It is impossible for the society to take care of them, and the railroads are furnishing scores of tickets to aid the girls in returning to their homes.

### Dr. Hovey to Speak.

Dr. George Rice Hovey, president of the Virginia Union University, will speak to men this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, under the auspices of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association. The University quartet will sing, under the direction of C. S. Johnson.

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Women who know something of the high character of Miller & Rhoads Millinery will appreciate most what this announcement means and will be first to take advantage of it. DON'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITY. Come right in Monday—early—and select the Hat you want when there will be more to pick from. NOTE THE PRICES:

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ANY TRIMMED HAT IN THE HOUSE. This includes Hats priced from \$12.50 all the way upwards to \$22.50.

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Any Hat in the house priced from \$9 to \$11.50.

Monday \$5.00 Will Buy

Any Hats in the house priced from \$6 to \$8.50.

Monday \$3.00 Will Buy

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No Price-Ticket Will Be Changed  
Just bring this adv with you and price your own Hat.  
One glance will show you that here are the best values in Trimmed Hats we have yet offered.

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## To-Morrow We Start Right in With a Big Sale of Women's and Misses' Suits

at \$17.50



THE NEWEST, SNAPPIEST SUITS OF THE SEASON and a very large variety of them to select from—at this special low price—\$17.50.

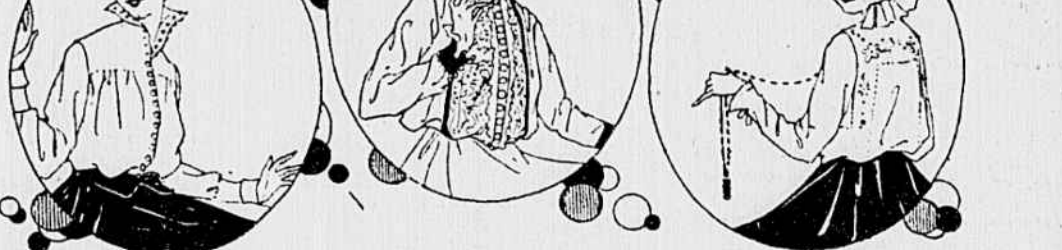
THE STYLES—Among them are the very popular straight line, belted, flared and tuxedo effects; many with contrasting trimmings, and some with silk collars and cuffs.

One particularly smart model is a "Military" effect with pocket and a cartridge belt. A smart feature of this suit is the sleeves, which are finished with a small pocket. We're sure you'll be pleased with it.

THE MATERIALS—American poplins, serges, crepe cloths, gabardines and silk poplins.

THE SHADES—Navy and Hague blue, battleship gray, green, sand, black, shepherd checks, etc.

The jackets are all lined with peau de cygne, and the skirts are full and flared. A lot of these Suits have been marked down from our regular higher priced stock; others arrived only recently. All are great values at \$17.50.



## Smart Blouses!

A Showing That's Getting to Be "Town Talk"

Women's Spring Blouses—such an interesting assortment! Such fascinating styles!

New—my, YES! Cleverest of models to suit every occasion—sport, dress, evening and mourning Blouses—of such fashionable materials as crepe de chine, fancy net, shadow lace, Georgette crepe, novelty cottons, linens, etc.

Our Blouse Department is the most attractive place of the sort to be found! The stylish new Blouses themselves made it so; aided only by the VERY MODERATE-NESS of our prices!

Won't you come in—to-morrow or next day—and see for yourself?

Tub Silk Blouses, \$3.98  
of striped silk, in assorted colors; high or low collars; finished with pearl buttons.

Japanese Embroidered Blouses, \$9.50  
A Blouse of superior quality crepe de chine and Georgette; hand embroidered front, finished with jet buttons.

Striped Linen Blouses, \$4.25  
A wide "Jockey" stripe of lavender, blue or rose; very smart and new.

Novelty Cotton Blouses, \$2.98  
Many smart effects at this price; plain white and stripes; some finished with embroidery.

Handsome Lingerie Blouses, \$3.98 to \$5.50

Mourning Blouses of All Black Silk, \$5.50 to \$8.95

Nurses' Uniform Waists  
Tailored models—a complete line here.

The above merely suggest some of the exceptionally pretty models now shown. You are sure to find the new, up-to-the-minute Blouse at Miller & Rhoads.

Second Floor.

## Good News for Good Housewives!

Something New

A Real WIZARD  
Triangle Polish Mop  
With Adjustable Handle, at  
Only 50c



The time has come when spring housecleaning can no longer be put off. Are you going to wear yourself out stretching, reaching and cleaning, or are you going to do the wisest thing and use a "WIZARD" TRIANGLE POLISH MOP?

Investigate this offer to-morrow. It is surely worth your while. Think of the advantage of such an offer. Let the factory's special representative show you all the reasons why this is a practical, necessary mop.

Wizard Triangle Polish and Chemically Treated Mops at \$1.25

Science in housework and the necessary methods that lead to success have been studied out to a fine point—the result is a mop that cannot be excelled. Would you like to see this demonstration to-morrow? Then be here early.

Wizard Polish

preserves, renews and beautifies finishes on fine furniture, pianos, autos, etc.

All Sizes, 25c to \$2.50

Wizard Ironing Wax, a new Wizard product. It waxes with the mere touch of a heated iron to the surface of the pad, and at the same time cleanses the iron. You should not be without this aid to smooth, rapid ironing.

Package, 5c

Wizard Mop Cleaner

a preparation that will clean your polish mop in fifteen minutes. The make of your mop matters not—any mop can be renewed and made like new if cleaned by Wizard Cleaner.

Prices, 10c and 25c

Wizard Carpet Clean prevents dust from rising when sweeping, and prolongs the life of your floor coverings.

Two Sizes, 10c and 25c

Basement.

## Excellent Values in the Basement

TROOPER CLOTH; 32 inches, suitable for children's rompers and dresses and ladies' dresses; large assortment of patterns and plain colors; guaranteed to wear longer than any similar cloth at 18c yard.

WHITE PIQUE; 27 and 36-inch material; large and medium widths, an exceptional value, 12½c.

SHIRTING MADRAS, imported; fast colors; big assortment, 39c, 25c and 18c yard.

18c CURTAIN ETAMINE, colored floral borders; a few pieces left at 10c yard.

HEAVY BLEACHED SHEETS, 81x90; special price, 48c each.

RAMIE VOILE, white ground, small colored designs; 25c value, at 12½c yard.

Basement.

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